IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claims 1-4 (canceled)

Claim 5 (currently amended): A method for suppressing smell change or odor generation ~~with passage of time~~ in a cosmetic, comprising:

preparing a composition including at least one surfactant having an oxyethylene group; and

adding a suppressant comprising tert-butanol to said composition, the suppressant suppressing smell change or odor generation caused by the at least one surfactant,

wherein the at least one surfactant comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of materials represented by the following general formula (1):

$[R^1(OCH_2CH_2)_n\text{-}OSO_3]^- M^+$

wherein R^1 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, n represents an integer of 1 to 30, and M represents Na, K, NH_4, or triethanolamine;

materials represented by the following general formula (2):

$R^2CO\text{-}NH(CH_2CH_2O)_mH$

wherein R^2 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, and m represents an integer of 1 to 10;

materials represented by the following general formula (3):

$R^3CO\text{-}N\ (CH_2CH_2OH)_2$

wherein R^3 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 7 to 21 carbon atoms, and

tert-butanol is added in an amount of 0.01 to 1,000 ppm based on a total weight of the composition.

Claims 6-8 (canceled)

Claim 9 (previously presented): The method according to claim 5, wherein the at least one surfactant comprises at least one material selected from the group consisting of sodium polyoxyethylene (3) alkyl (12-14) ether sulfate, sodium polyoxyethylene (2) alkyl (12, 13) ether sulfate, castor oil fatty acid monoethanol amide, lauric acid monoethanol amide, castor oil fatty acid diethanol amide, and lauric acid diethanol amide.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The method according to claim 5, wherein R^1 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms, M represents Na, NH_4, or triethanolamine, R^2 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms, R^3 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms.

Claim 11 (previously presented): The method according to claim 5, wherein R^1 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 11 to 15 carbon atoms, M represents Na, NH_4, or triethanolamine, R^2 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 10 to 14 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 10 to 14 carbon atoms, m is 1, and R^3 represents a linear or branched alkyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms or a linear or branched alkenyl group having 9 to 18 carbon atoms.

Claims 12-15 (canceled)